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### (54) INFORMATION PROTECTING METHOD

#### (57)Abstract:

PURPOSE: To disable a third party to use information even if obtaining a decoding means by adding selection information for specifying next information for a necessary piece of divided information and decoding them by a desired decoding means.

CONSTITUTION: A program is divided into a necessary number of parts, and selection information for specifying partial programs to be executed next are added to the divided programs, decoded by a desired decoding means, and written and stored on a floppy disk. Then when the program or data is used, the desired decoding means is connected to a specific transfer part to enable the

execution of the program or access to the data. Consequently, the third party who only obtains the decoding means is prevented from using the data illegally and the information is protected.

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